

The Parochial Centenary
of
St. Mark's Church

PROGRAM

of
Services and Other Events
in connection with
the Celebration of the
100th Birthday of the Parish



St. Mark's Day
April 25, 1948

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The laying of the corner-stone took place on St. Mark's Day (April 25) 1848. The several events listed in this Program cover the period of the centenary celebration beginning on April 20, 1948 and ending on the Octave of St. Mark's Day, Sunday, May 2nd. A subsequent edition of the Program will include later events related to the centenary but not yet definitely arranged. These will include a Recital of Choral Music by the St. Mark's Choir under the direction of Mr. Ernest Willoughby.

Apart from and in addition to the features listed in this Program there will be the usual services in the Church as follows:

Sunday

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| Holy Communion | 8 A. M. and 9 A. M. |
| Morning Prayer | 10.30 A. M. |
| Choral Celebration of | |
| Holy Communion | 11 A. M. |
| Evensong | 4 P. M. |

Daily

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| Holy Communion | 7 A. M. |
| (Except Saturday) | |
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| (Including Saturday) | 7.45 A. M. |
| Matins | 7.30 A. M. |
| Evensong with | |
| Intercessions | 5.30 P. M. |
| Friday Litany | 12.30 P. M. |

I

TUESDAY, APRIL 20th

A NEIGHBORHOOD RECEPTION AND TEA.
The Parish Building, 1625 Locust St.
from 4 to 7 P. M.

To this are invited not only all parishioners but Diocesan Officers, Clergy of the Convocation of South Philadelphia and of the neighboring churches of all denominations and the officers of neighborhood organizations such as the Woman's City Club, the Emergency Aid, the Acorn and University Clubs.

During the Reception and during all the events listed in this Program there will be an Exhibit of Treasures and Objects of Art possessed by the Parish.

Guides will be in attendance to explain the Exhibit and to conduct visitors through the Church.

II

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21st

AN ILLUSTRATED LECTURE ON STAINED GLASS AND CATHEDRALS by the eminent artist, James G. Reynolds, Esq., of Boston. It is expected that the Lecturer will be introduced by James Sheldon, Esq., of New York.

The Lecture will be delivered and the pictures shown in the Church (Locust Street west of 16th) at 8 P. M.

III

FRIDAY, APRIL 23rd

AN ILLUSTRATED LECTURE ON CHURCH ARCHITECTURE—with special reference to the Gothic Style—by the well-known Philadelphia Architect, Walter Thomas, Esq.

The Lecture will be delivered and the pictures shown in the Church at 8 P. M.

To these Lectures a cordial invitation is issued to all persons interested in the subjects.

IV

SUNDAY, APRIL 25th

(St. Mark's Day)

At the Choral Celebration of the Holy Communion at 11 o'clock Confirmation will be administered by the Bishop of the Diocese, the Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart, D. D., who will also be the Preacher.

At 4 P. M. there will be Choral Evensong. The Preacher will be The Rt. Rev. G. Ashton Oldham, D. D., Bishop of Albany.

V

MONDAY, APRIL 26th

AN ORGAN RECITAL by Ernest Willoughby, Organist and Choirmaster at St. Mark's. Canon Earp, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, has been invited to open the Recital with Prayer.

Mr. Willoughby will refer briefly to his distinguished predecessors at St. Mark's. The Recital is given by him in memory of such of them as have died, namely:

James Pearce
Minton Pyne
Fritz Avery Jones
Louis Wadlow

The Recital will begin at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

VI

THURSDAY, APRIL 29th

A SERVICE OF HYMN-SINGING BY THE CONGREGATION will be held in the Church at 8 P. M.

This Service will be devoted to the spontaneous and unrehearsed singing by the congregation of familiar hymns and "old favorites." The Rev. Frank Damrosch, Jr., has agreed to be the Leader. It is believed that such a service will be welcomed by many people as an opportunity for a self-expression that is both devotional and informal.

The success of the Service will in large measure depend upon the attendance. It is hoped that this announcement will result in a large attendance not limited to parishioners or to members of the Episcopal Church. The opportunity to unite in worship through hymn-singing will certainly tend to stimulate a sense of Christian fellowship.

VII

FRIDAY, APRIL 30th

A DISPLAY AND DEMONSTRATION OF Eucharistic Vestments and Vessels will be given in the Church at 8 P. M. This Exhibit is being sponsored by the young people of the parish. A special invitation is extended to all young people of the Diocese and a general invitation to all persons interested in ecclesiastical embroidery and objects of ecclesiastical art.

VIII

SUNDAY, MAY 2nd

(Octave of St. Mark's Day)

At 8 A. M. there will be a Choral Celebration, which will be a Corporate Communion for all members and former members of the Parish.

At 10:00 A. M. a Special Musical Service with Address by the Rector will be broadcast over Station WCAU.

To the Choral Evensong in the Church at 4 o'clock all members and former members of the Parish are specially invited.

The occasion will be a thanksgiving for blessings bestowed upon the Parish during the century which will then have ended and of special intercession for all phases of church work during the century which will then be beginning.